emphasis on developing and promoting new technologies, measures for increasing availability of agricultural credit, Market Information Network and National Agriculture Insurance Scheme etc. Besides, the Government also encourage farmers to increase production through price policy which includes implementation of Minimum Support Price and Market Intervention Schemes, procurement by public agencies and by using instruments of trade. Apart from these, the Government have also switched over from the conventional schematic approach to macro-management from November, 2000 for providing assistance to the States. The Macro-Management Scheme integrates 27 schemes into one for supplementing and complementing the efforts of State Governments through work plans. This gives flexibility to States to address specific problems faced by them depending on local requirements, avoid overlapping in the contents of different schemes and aim at all-round development of agriculture.

Agricultural Universities

†4683. PROF. M. M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Central Agricultural Universities being run in the country;

(b) the number of such universities in the country which are not having their own buildings; and

(c) the details of proposals for setting up of new agricultural universities in various States during Tenth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) One Central Agricultural University has been established with its headquarter at Imphal.

(b) Nil.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) Sir, there is no proposal during the X Five Year Plan for setting up new Central Agricultural University.

Commercial production of new seeds

†4684. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:
SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any permanent arrangement for commercial production of new seeds of foodgrains developed during the past few years;

(b) if so, the details of this arrangement together with the names of the seeds which have been made available for commercial production under this arrangement, during the last three years; and

(c) the average annual quantum of availability of such seeds?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Indents for production of breeder seeds of newly developed varieties are given to Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) for production. The breeder seed so produce is allotted to various seed producing agencies for further multiplication and commercial production. The crop-wise quantity of breeder seed allotted for multiplication during the last three years is enclosed at Statement-I *(See* below). The crop and variety-wise quantity of certified and quality seeds made available for commercial production during last three years is enclosed at Statement-II.

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